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THE OPERATIONS IN MESOPOTAMIA.

FRENCH PREDICT GRAVE TROUBLE FOR TURKEY.

PARIS, March 9.
The newspapers are directing great attention to the rapidity of the British advance in Mesopotamia and predict that it will have a deep effect throughout Western Asia, and probably cause grave trouble for Turkey who must bitterly regret handing over several Divisions to Germany and Bulgaria when they are urgently needed at home.

THE DARDANELLES COMMISSION REPORT.

MR. ASQUITH DESIRES TO DISCUSS IT.

LONDON, March 9.
Mr. Asquith has given notice of his intention to ask for an early opportunity for a discussion on the Dardanelles Commission's Report, and also for the publication of the evidence on which it purports to be founded.

AMERICANS OF THE "YARROW" DALE" RELEASED.

AMSTERDAM, March 9.
The neutrals who were brought to Germany on the Yarrowdale, including the Americans, have been released.

AMERICAN "ARMED NEUTRALITY."

PRESIDENT WILSON AND THE ARMING OF MERCHANTMEN.

WASHINGTON, March 9.
Mr. Lansing, the Secretary of State, and Mr. Gregory, Attorney-General, have both advised President Wilson that he has full authority to arm merchantmen immediately, but as the Senate has revised its rules, and in order to prevent further filibustering, it is believed that President Wilson will immediately call an extra session of Congress to consider the matter.

GERMAN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION WITH MEXICO.

WASHINGTON, March 9.
The Government has been semi-officially advised that Mexico City is in direct wireless communication with Germany. An investigation has been ordered.

AMERICAN PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES IN CUBA.

NEW YORK, March 9.
Four hundred American marines have been landed at Santiago de Cuba as a precaution against a rebel attack.

FRENCH MOBILISATION OF CIVILIANS.

PARIS, March 9.
The amended Government Bill for the mobilisation of civilians provides for compulsory enrolment for both sexes between the ages of 17 and 60 years, and eventual conscription.

EXTENSION OF THE REQUISITIONING SCHEME.

LONDON, March 9.
The Times states that arrangements are being considered to extend the shipping requisitioning scheme, mentioned on March 3rd, to the services to India, Ceylon, Burma, the Straits Settlements, China, Japan and the Persian Gulf.

The Times adds that with regard to the outward services it would seem that business could be efficiently controlled by three main committees representing respectively: (1) the Persian Gulf, Karachi and Bombay; (2) Calcutta, Colombo and Burma; and (3) the Far East. It will also be desirable to form committees of managers with respect to homeward loading.

THE WEATHER IN EUROPE.

FURIOUS GALE SWEEPS THE ANCRE BATTLEFIELD.

LONDON, March 8.
A severe frost is general in Great Britain. There have been heavy snow-falls in many countries.
A correspondent at Headquarters states that on March 8 a furious gale was sweeping the battlefield on the Ancre front, the blinding snow squalls sometimes making it impossible to see more than a few hundred feet, hampering the aircraft and the troops working on the new lines.

The ground has frozen again, facilitating transport work.
The enemy are very active improving their front before Bapaume.

COUNT ZEPPELIN'S DEATH.

AMSTERDAM, March 8.

Count Zeppelin died at Charlottenburg. The cause of his death was inflammation of the lungs.

ANGRY IRISH NATIONALISTS AND THE PREMIER.

LONDON, March 9.
In the House of Commons the Nationalists frequently interrupted by questioning the Premier during his speech.
Mr. Dillon angrily asserted "You are turning your back on Home Rule."
When the Premier was dealing with the Polish parallel, Mr. Dillon again interrupted, saying: "What will you say to the Sinn Feiners?"
The Rt. Hon. Lloyd George replied: "I will say to them: You can have Home Rule for the asking, but we will not put under your feet people who do not want your rule."
When the Nationalists left the House they shook their fists in the direction of the Treasury bench. One shouted out: "Hangman Carson."

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The total output of the Kailash Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 24th February amounted to 57,362 tons, and the sales during the period to 48,559 tons.

Five per cent. interest on a loan remarks a writer in a home paper, would have been scoffed at by the men who had money to lend in medieval times. In the 16th and 17th centuries, the usual rate seems to have been 20 per cent. and in the preceding centuries it was probably higher. The rate of interest decreased with the progress of time, with an occasional limitation by the State. Elizabeth reduced the rate, by law, to 10 per cent. James I. to 8, and Charles II. to 6. In ancient Rome, according to Mably, the rate was 12 for a ten months year—the equivalent of 12 per cent. per annum.

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WHAT WE FIGHT FOR.

THE SECURITY OF EUROPE.

President Wilson's Note has been read in this country as he desired it should be read; that is, as coming not only from a friend, but as coming from the representative of a neutral nation whose interests have been most seriously affected by the war.

Absorption in our own concerns, does not blind us to the fact that the comfort, convenience, and prosperity of neutral nations have been "seriously affected" by the war, or that, owing to the same cause, hardships which are due primarily to widespread failure of the world's harvests have been increased. Nor do we fail to appreciate the concern of the President for the interests of humanity and the future of civilization. We have never doubted that, when the time came to discuss terms of peace, his aid and counsel would be freely given on the side of justice and an enduring settlement. But the time for this has not yet come.

President Wilson believes, or at least he appears to hope, that, if the various belligerents would only state their terms, we should be a good deal nearer ending the war. He points out that "the concrete objects for which it is being waged have never been definitely stated." This is true; and the reason is that the main objects of the war are not "concrete." They hardly admit of being "definitely stated" in the language of diplomacy. It would be altogether impossible to set them out in a list, and begin bargaining about them. They do not belong to the same order of things as indemnities, and cessations, and retrocessions of territory.

THREE OBJECTS.

But nevertheless the Allies have already set before themselves and the world three general objects for which they are fighting, and which, under God, they are determined to achieve—Restitution, Reparation, and Security; but of these the greatest is Security.

It is needless to enter at length into the causes and course of the war. It will be remembered, however, that Serbia, faced with harsh and humiliating demands, agreed "nevertheless to almost everything that was asked of her, and offered to submit the small remainder forthwith to the decision of The Hague Convention. Her submission was ignored and war was declared upon her with indecent haste.

Belgium was next invaded, without even the shadow of a protest, but merely because it suited the military convenience of Germany. Belgian territory was overrun; towns and villages were burned; the civil population was outraged, maltreated, and murdered, not by the wanton fury of troops which had broken loose from discipline—for discipline was maintained with an iron hand—but under orders, essentially, with the intention of cowing the inhabitants at once into submission.

The conduct of the war by Germany, or at any rate by Prussia, has been marked throughout by similar crimes. No tradition of humanity, no signed convention, or agreed rules of war have been allowed to stand in the way of military or naval advantage.

What we have been fighting for from the beginning, what we are fighting for now—more than anything else—is to destroy the power of the system which did these things. And we are fighting also to prove to the world and to posterity that it does not pay to do these things. But if we make peace now—no matter on what terms as to "concrete objects"—we shall not break the power of this system; we shall not prove what we set out to prove; nay, we shall come very near admitting the contrary.

There can be no "Security" until the spirit of barbarism is broken. There can be no Security except in the defeat of Prussia. No league of nations can hope to ensure either peace or justice in the future unless the German army is beaten in the present war. And it is not yet beaten.

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Germany, made war at her own time. She was ready for war, which the Allies were not. She was prepared not only with armies and supplies of warlike material, but also with a national organization admirably adapted either for war or peace. During the past year we have gradually caught up with her preparations. On the Somme and at Verdun the German Government has learned a lesson which it has not failed to understand. It is under no illusions as to the probable course of the war. And for this reason, and for this reason alone, it has begun to speak respectfully of the interests of humanity, and to move heaven and earth to gain peace before the German armies are forced to relax their hold upon the lands which they have overrun.

What would be the consequence of listening to these overtures and agreeing to discuss terms of peace, before the German people and the world at large are fully assured that the methods of barbarism have failed? The consequence would be the tyrannization of Europe. What small, contemptible nation, for example, would ever dare thereafter to stand up against the menace of a German invitation to join her Customs Union—the first step towards being swallowed up in her Empire? Peace at the present time can only mean one of two things—war on a vaster scale within a generation, even within a decade; or German domination of Europe, of the Near East—finally of the world.

COPPERHEADS.

In the great Civil War America had her "Copperheads"—men who would not stand either with North or South; who could not persuade themselves that anything in the world was worth fighting for—or against. We also have our "Copperheads," and of late they have been very active in addressing their "open letters" to the President of the United States—men who are neither "for their own country nor against it; who rise, owing to the lightness of their vanity and not from any superior virtue, into the upper regions of the air, whence, as they look down upon our struggles, they regard the objects of the combatants with contempt, and only the desolation as of importance.

If the "American" "Copperheads" had been allowed their own way the Union would assuredly have been broken; and we have laid that lesson to heart in rating the value of our own.

It is a noble aspiration—a league of nations to ensure peace and justice throughout the world. But how can it assure these things unless it enforces them? And how can it enforce them unless it has something to enforce them with—something that is stronger than German arms? Have the Allies as yet—has President Wilson—quite got to that point? We can hardly believe it, otherwise the German plodders to abstain from submarine piracy would have been kept. If peace is made before Germany is beaten, "Prussian Militarism" will fully the proposed league of nations in precisely the same fashion as it has bullied Europe for the last twenty years.

President Wilson tells us that the present situation of neutral nations is very "hard to endure." This is undeniable. The Allies have done their best to mitigate inevitable hardships; but they cannot be held responsible for the atrocities which have been perpetrated by German submarines. If neutral nations have no other interest in the war except its cessation, then, in the light of German threats, it is not impossible that they may come to regard their situation as "intolerable." But even if they have, as we think, wider and deeper interests than merely to end the war, we still have no right to measure of contrast their sufferings with our own.

We do not deceive ourselves as to the future course of the war, or mock ourselves with the fancy that Germany is on the verge of a collapse. We know very well that if we fight to a finish, even what we have already suffered, best to appear only a small thing when we come to cast up the final reckoning. We do not blink these possibilities; but, as we have not yet found our burden intolerable, so we trust we never may, until we have ended the work to which we put our hands.

No one who understands the British people can mistake our present purpose. We should hold ourselves guilty of treachery both to the quick and the dead were we to break off now; were we to make a peace which would be no peace; of treachery to the unborn; of treachery to those who have given more even than their lives in this struggle, to those whose sight or reason has been darkened, to the maimed and broken in health, to all who have comforted themselves in affliction with the thought that their own sorrow or bodily pain was part of the great common sacrifice which the Allied nations have freely offered in order that this world of ours may not become the Kingdom of Hell. We cannot, even yet, be certain of the issue, but as to the duty of going on, as to the shame of turning aside, we are altogether certain.

—P. S. OLIVER.

GERMANY'S HOPE.

FAITH IN SUBMARINES.

A leading German manufacturer, who is a strong advocate of peace at any price, recently said, with a neutral subject in view, that 1,000 submarines were in course of construction, and 200 were already in use, while about 100 had been lost. The submarine crews were being trained for 12 weeks under war pressure. The manufacturer was convinced that the Government believed the submarine would place Germany in a position to dictate terms in view of the coal shortage in Russia, France, and Belgium.

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CHINA, THE ALLIES, AND THE BOXER INDEMNITY.

Dated March 2, the weekly market report of Messrs. Harter & Co., Ltd., makes the following comment, which is of special interest just at this time:—

The interesting news from Peking that China has been officially notified by the Allied Ministers that, in the event of China effectively severing relations with Germany and Austria-Hungary, the Allies are prepared to consider favourably the questions of the suspension, during the war, of the Boxer Indemnity payments and the revision of the tariff, is one of considerable moment for China's trade.

Towards the end of 1914 we wrote in our columns that the major, which was lying, the present trade depression is undoubtedly the disorganization of China's export trade owing to the state of Europe. The export trade is China's life-line, and with an adverse trade balance of a hundred and forty million taels annually (taking an average of the last ten years), a large amount to be met annually in interest on foreign loans, together with the quarterly indemnity payments for her "Boxer" indiscretions, she cannot afford to have her life-line injured. Although she herself makes no appreciable attempt to foster it.

During 1914, China's adverse trade balance was Ta. 213,014,763, but in 1915, owing to increased exports and decreased imports it fell to Ta. 30,814,555. Meantime the import demand has not improved, and the reason is not far to seek. In addition to the large sums of money for the recent political upheavals have taxed the country with the commencement of two large principal repayments against the Boxer Indemnity date from 1914 onwards. From that year the 4,000,000 annually commences against a redemption of Ta. 150,000,000 and in 1916, a further annual Ta. 2,000,000 against a redemption of Ta. 500,000,000.

In all China's Boxer Indemnity of 1901, which was originally Ta. 450,000,000 stands at the end of 1916 at the huge sum of Ta. 388,000,000 still to be worked off. Taken in conjunction with her other foreign loans and liabilities, her annual outgoings in interest and repayments in 1914 stood at about 22,000,000 taels, to which has to be added the above-mentioned indemnity redemptions commencing in 1914 and 1916. When in addition to this, the adverse trade balance of the country is taken into consideration, it is not to be wondered at that China's import trade is not an expanding one.

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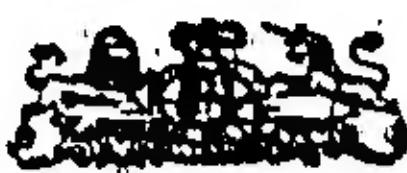
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THE Steamship

ANYO MARU.
The above named Steamer having
arrived, Commence of Cargo are hereby
notified to send in their Bills of Lading
for counter signature, and to take immediate
delivery of Cargo from Monday.
DAY, 12th March at 5 p.m. will be
loaded as Consignees' risk and expense,
and delivery must then be taken from the
Company's Godown. Storage charges will
be levied on all Cargo remaining
undelivered on FRIDAY, 16th March,
at 5 p.m.
No Fire Insurance whatever will be
effected.
No claims will be recognized after the
Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.
All chafed and damaged Cargo will be
landed into the Company's Godown, where
they will be examined on the 31st
March, at 10 a.m.
No claims will be recognized if filed
after the 30th March, 1917.
T. DAIGO,
Agent.
Hongkong, March 10, 1917. 1569

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions to sell by Public Auction,
(on account of the CONTEYED),

TUESDAY,

the 13th March, 1917, at 12 Noon,
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THE DIARY

MEMO FOR TO-DAY

Dinner and Entertainment to H.E.
Volunteer Contingent.

MEMO FOR MONDAY.

5.15 p.m.—St. George's Day Meeting
in City Hall.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, March 13—
Lady May distributes prizes to pupils
of Peak School at Peak Hotel.

FRIDAY, March 16—
11 a.m.—Auction of Rugs, Sheets,
Sweater Coats, etc., at Messrs.
Hughes and Hough's.

SATURDAY, March 17—
St. Patrick's Day.
Dance at "Kingsclere".

TUESDAY, March 27—
11.30 a.m.—Green Island Cement Co's.
Meeting.

TUESDAY 27 & WEDNESDAY March 28—
2.15 p.m.—Auction of Household
Furniture at "Brasserie," 20 Mac-
donnell Road.

WEDNESDAY, March 28—
11.30 a.m.—Hongkong Ice Co's Meet-
ing.
Noon.—Hongkong Fire Insurance Co's
Meeting.

THURSDAY, March 29—
Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement
Day.

FRIDAY, March 30—
Noon.—China Sugar Refining Co's
Meeting.

VISITING CARDS

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nesses of autocratic control and led to
reorganization and greater efficiency.
Every one recognizes that the objects
in view in the initiation of the
enterprise were worth striving for,
and the Report of the Commission
leaves us with the impression that
three objects might have been
gained had the management of the
operations in London been on a more
businesslike basis. The achieve-
ment of those objects would probably
have greatly accelerated the end of
the war. The scheme was sound
enough, and the Report of the Com-
mission shows that, contrary to the
common impression which prevailed
at the time, Mr. Churchill was not
alone—but, rather, the least of all
concerned—responsible for its failure
to achieve its main purpose. No
one will disagree with the opinion
expressed by the Commission that
it would be an "exaggeration" to say
that the Expedition, considered as a
whole, was a complete failure. Cer-
tain political and military
advantages were secured by the
Expedition, but, as the Commis-
sioners say, "whether those advantages
were worth the loss of life and
treasure involved must remain a
matter of opinion."

MARRIAGE.

BREWITT-TAYLOR—ELLIS—On January
27, at Hampstead, Raymond
Brewitt-Taylor, M.B., younger
son of C. H. Brewitt-Taylor, of
China, to Evelyn, daughter of
Henry Ellis, of Fetter's Bar.

DEATHS.

GOLDSMITH—On January 21st Com-
mander Cecil De LA MARE
GOLDSMITH, R.N.R. British Vic-
torian at Malindi, late command-
ing P. and O. S. S. Simla.
MANGRA—On Jan. 24, at Stockhill,
Gillingham, Dorset, ALFRED
THOMAS MANGRA, formerly of
Messrs. Douglas-Lapraik and Co.,
Hongkong, aged 68 years.
STITCHIFF—On January 29, at Thelie,
near Reading, Edwin Sutcliffe, of
Leek, Staffordshire, and late of
Manila, aged 59 years.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, March 10, 1917.

THE DARDANELLES
COMMISSION.]

WHEN the appointment of a
Commission to inquire into the
operations in the Dardanelles and
Gallipoli was forced upon the
Government, the wisdom of holding
such an inquiry before the war had
ended was not very apparent. But
the Report which the Committee
has produced is a justification for the
holding of the inquiry at once in its
revelation of the unbusiness-like way
in which great operations were
being managed in the earlier stages
of the war. The very necessity for
having to describe in detail the
management of the war before the
Commission must have led at
once to a reorganization of the
controlling machinery on more
business-like lines. While the lan-
guage of the Report is studiously
moderate, it is unmistakable in its
condemnation of the way in which
the Dardanelles operations were begun.
We should not, however, forget that
the public view this matter in rather
a different light to-day than it did
at the time. Take Mr. CHURCHILL's
piquant description of the machinery
of management: "In its early
stages, the war was carried on by the
PREMIER, Lord KITCHENER and me,
I think, in the next place. But I
had not the same weight of authority,
or power as those two Ministers,
and if they said 'This is to be done or
not done,' that settled it." If that
description of the actual working of
the machine was substantially correct
—as the Commissioners believe,
"save that Mr. CHURCHILL probably
assigned himself in this statement a
more unobtrusive part than he
actually played"—it can at least be
said that it was in accord with the
prevailing sentiment of the day
that Lord KITCHENER, at least,
should be given an absolutely free
hand and practically unlimited
authority. One of the most
striking of the findings of
the Commission is that "Lord
KITCHENER did not sufficiently
avail himself of the services of his
General Staff, with the result that he
undertook more work than it was
possible for one man to do, causing
confusion and want of efficiency."
The chief value of the Inquiry has
been that it has exposed the weak-

THE LAW COURTS.

THE ANTIMONY ORE CASE.

In the Supreme Court before Sir
William Rees Davies, K.C., the
Chief Justice, the case in which L.
Lysaught claims \$1,000 money lent
and costs from Li Kam, was resumed
this morning.

Mr. Gardiner appeared for the
plaintiff and Mr. Haywood for the
defendant.

It will be remembered that the
case was adjourned at the first hear-
ing for the purpose of amending the
claim which was for \$1,000 for
money lent. The plaintiff now
claimed for the return of \$1,000 or
delivery of the ore.

Li Kam, cross-examined by Mr.
Gardiner, said that he did not tell
defendant that he could get the ore
if he went to Canton. What he did
say was that he wanted the plaintiff
to go to Canton and inspect the ore.
"I did not give him any address to
go to, but I did give him a letter
addressed to 'Lai Kim Sung.'"

Mr. Gardiner: You gave plaintiff
that letter to enable plaintiff to get
delivery of the ore?

Defendant: No. I did not. I
wrote the letter asking about inspect-
ing 15,000 catties of ore. This was
the letter I gave to plaintiff.

His Lordship: What has become
of the ore? You have not delivered
it and the plaintiff claims either the
money or the ore. Have you deliv-
ered it?

Defendant: No.

Mr. Gardiner: What became of the
ore?

Defendant: There was some
trouble in Canton and the ore was
confiscated.

Mr. Gardiner: Why?

Defendant: Because the godown
rent was not paid.

Mr. Gardiner: Did you not ask
plaintiff to let you have some money
to pay the rent?

Defendant: Yes, I did ask him and
he refused.

Mr. Gardiner: Do you mean the
plaintiff refused to pay the rent,
when he knew the ore would be
otherwise confiscated?

Defendant: Yes.

Mr. Gardiner: Do you know that
Mr. Lysaught and Mr. Starkey were
commissioned to buy all the anti-
mony ore they could get?

Defendant: Yes, I know that. If
it was not so they would not have
advanced the money for the ore.

Mr. Gardiner: You say that the
money was advanced as capital, for
a syndicate to open a mine for anti-
mony ore. Is there anything in your
books to prove that there was such a
syndicate?

Defendant: Yes.

Mr. Gardiner: My interpreter
went through your books very care-
fully and could not find any entry.
I should like to see it. Show it to
me.

Defendant: The entries are in
figures only.

Mr. Gardiner: Oh! Are they?

Questioned by his Lordship, defen-
dant said the ore had been lost.

After hearing further evidence, his
Lordship gave judgment for plain-
tiff.

Mr. Gardiner then asked his Lord-
ship if he would also give judgment
for the plaintiff in the second case,
which was being brought by Mr.
Starkey. It depended upon exactly
the same evidence as in the first
case.

His Lordship then instructed Mr.
Haywood to explain to the defendant
that it would only be a waste of time
to go over all the evidence again, and
that as he had already given judg-
ment for the plaintiff in the first case
defendant could not possibly win the
second case.

Defendant: I am not satisfied with
your Lordship's decision. (Laugh-
ter.)

The position was again explained
to the defendant, who insisted upon
the second case being tried.

Mr. Haywood, addressing his Lord-
ship, said: "I will not continue to
act for defendant," and left the
Court.

Mr. Starkey, the plaintiff in the
second case, who had also advanced
\$1,000 to the defendant then went
into the witness box and gave
practically the same evidence as had
been given by Mr. Lysaught.

His Lordship gave judgment in the
plaintiff's favour.

THE MAGISTRACY.

CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Shortly after 4.30 p.m. yesterday
afternoon, a two-story wall at the ruins
of No. 37 Shanghai Street, Yaumati, on
top of which five men were engaged in
removing bricks, suddenly collapsed.
The cohes were carried to the ground
and a woman employed below was also
caught in the accident. It was found
necessary to remove all six victims to
the hospital and there one of the men
died of his injuries. The woman, who
suffering with a badly smashed leg, is
in a critical condition.

As the result of Police investigation,
the contractor and foreman in charge of
demolishing the ruined building, which
was destroyed by fire a few months ago,
were charged with manslaughter before
Mr. J. R. Wood this morning.

Inspector Gerard, of Yaumati, who
prosecuted, stated that he considered the
case a very serious one as he believed
the accident due to gross negligence on
the part of the defendants.

Pending the inspection of the ruins by
Mr. A. E. Wright, Executive Engineer
of the Public Works Department, the
defendants were remanded until Monday
morning.

His Worship said that he would also
inspect the scene of the accident.

STOLE TO BUY FLOOD.

In Mr. Wood's Court this morning a
small boy appeared as witness against
a Chinese charged with stealing an
electric light bracket, globe, shade and
guard from No. 104 Nathan Road,
Yaumati.

It appeared that the boy, who was
employed in the house, saw the defen-
dant tearing the fixture from over the
second floor landing. He raised an
alarm with the result that the thief was
caught with the bracket in his possession.

When taken into custody, the defen-
dant said he had stolen the fixture in
order to secure money with which to
buy food.

The defendant had previously been
sent to goal for a similar offence and
was now sentenced to three months'
hard labour with four hours' strokes,
in lieu of the last day of imprisonment.

THEFT OF A PIECE OF LEAD.

A coolie, charged with stealing a piece
of lead from the Kowloon Dock, was
arraigned before Mr. J. R. Wood this
morning.

The defendant pleaded not guilty to
the charge, stating that he found the
lead in the Dock and was arrested
while carrying it to the godown.

A dock watchman, however, deposed
that the defendant was carrying the
lead concealed beneath his jacket.

His Worship remanded the defendant
in Police custody until Monday morning.

HELD ON SUSPICION.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning,
a Chinese, who was formerly a quarter-
master on a Blue Funnel steamer, was
charged with having in his possession a
pick-lock intended for unlawful purposes.

The defendant, however, was sus-
pected of being implicated in the shooting
of the Indian constable who was killed
by a robber in Yaumati, a few days ago,
and Sergeant Wills asked that the case
be remanded.

The application was granted and the
defendant remanded in Police custody
until Tuesday morning.

THE PENANG BAR.

A SUCCESSFUL OBJECTION
AGAINST SOLICITOR
GENERAL.

The full Court of Appeal at Penang
before the Chief Justice, Sir John
Bucknill, Mr. Justice Woodward and
Mr. Justice Sproule heard the appeal of
Chee Kok Foo against the decision of
Mr. Justice Ebdon, who sentenced him
to six months' simple imprisonment
on the application of the Official Assignee
under section 107-A, sub-section C, of
the Bankruptcy Ordinance for contract-
ing a debt without having reasonable
grounds for the expectation of being
able to pay it.

Mr. Adams on behalf of the local Bar
objected to the Solicitor-General appear-
ing to argue against the appeal because
the Crown was not actually concerned
in the case and the Solicitor-General
was not a member of the Bar. Mr.
Adams pointed out that the Solicitor-
General was unable to do so.

Mr. A. B. Vines argued that in
virtue of his office he could do so
although he was not appearing in the
case.

The Chief Justice held that the
Solicitor-General could not appear.
Mr. Woodward agreed and Mr. Sproule
disagreed on one ground. The three
judges dismissed Kok Foo's appeal.

COMPANY MEETING.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANU-
FACTURING CO., LIMITED.

The twenty-third ordinary general
meeting of the company was held at
the company's offices at 11.30 this
morning. Mr. R. Shawan presided,
and there were present Messrs. H. P.
White, J. H. Wallace, A. H. Skelton,
(consulting committee) and Messrs. M. S.
Northeote, A. A. Cordeiro, H. R. B.
Hancock and Mr. J. A. Young (acting
secretary).

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen,
With your permission we will take the
Report and Accounts now before you as
read. As we forecasted this time last
year, we did not have such an exception-
ally good year in 1916 as we did in 1915,
but considering the circumstances
we have done much better than we
anticipated and are able to pay the
same bonus as before, which we had
certainly not expected when we last
addressed you. During the past year,
which we began with reduced stocks
of both raw and manufactured material,
we had to contend with a constantly
rising Hemp market, while Exchange, as
you know, has been against us the whole
time. On the other hand it was not
easy to bring our customers up quickly
to the new level of prices necessitated
by the steady rise in the cost of raw
material. Under such circumstances the
making of contracts for forward delivery
of Rope and Cordage became a mere
gamble in which all the factors were
against us and such contracts were there-
fore avoided by us as far as we could
without jeopardizing relations with old
customers. As for the future, Hemp
has this year soared to heights that
would have been incredible three years
ago and although just at the moment
prices are rather weaker, owing to diffi-
culties over securing tonnage, he would
be a bold man who would attempt to
prophecy on the subject. We can only
point out that we have begun this year
with large stocks at what we consider
safe valuations and promise you that
we shall continue to buy sparingly and
closely until we can see more clearly what
is ahead of us. Our present prospects
are good enough and we have little fear
as to our Dividend, but shareholders
must bear in mind that a continuance
of a Bonus is quite another matter and
we make no promises whatever in that
respect. From the Accounts you will
see that all past writing down of our
Investments have now been made good
and that if you approve of our proposals
the Reserve Fund will stand at the
respectable figure of \$230,000. I ought
to point out to you while on this
subject that our investments in British
and Russian War Loans show a loss
at the present exchange and market
prices, but these are not entirely business
transactions and I am sure you will
agree with us that they can be safely
left to be dealt with when the
War is over and the enemies of our
country have received the punishment
they have invited by their crimes. I
now beg to move that the Report and
Accounts as presented to this Meeting
be adopted and passed. When the
motion has been seconded I shall be
pleased to answer questions from share-
holders.

Mr. H. P. WHITE seconded and the
motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. H. R. B. HANCOCK pro-
posed that Messrs. H. P. White,
J. H. Wallace and A. H. Skelton be
re-elected to serve on the Consulting
Committee.

Mr. A. A. CORDEIRO seconded and
the motion was carried.

Mr. M. S. NORTEOTE proposed
that Mr. F. Maitland and Mr. H.
Percy Smith be re-elected as auditors.

Mr. A. H. SKELTON seconded and the
motion was carried.

A DONATION TO WAR CHARITIES.

The CHAIRMAN then said:—"There
is one other thing, gentlemen, be-
fore we terminate this meeting. It
is not much that this Company
can do for the War, but every little
helps, and a prosperous Company like
ours can at least give liberally out of
the money it has made under the
protection of the British Flag. I,
therefore, beg to propose "that this
Company give the sum of five thousand
dollars to the Hongkong War Charities
Fund" and have no doubt that the
proposal will be cheerfully and
unanimously carried by all present.
Will someone kindly second?

Mr. HANCOCK: Gentlemen, I have very
much pleasure in seconding that.
The motion was carried.

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"BIBLE SUNDAY."

As most of the Chinese Churches
and two of the English Churches
in the Colony will be observing Sun-
day next as "Bible Sunday" (when
special collections will be made on behalf
of the work) the following facts may be
of interest to many readers.

Since the war broke out, that is to
say from the beginning of August 1914,
to the middle of October, 1916, the Bible
Society has published the Gospel in no
fewer than eighteen new languages in
which it had never been printed before.

The stream of war distribution has
flowed steadily from the Society's
Depots. Between August 1914 and
the end of December 1916, the Society
while taking careful precautions against
overlapping and waste, has been able to
distribute altogether in connection with
the war over five million volumes.

Last year's circulation of the Scrip-
tures in English, exceeded 2,700,000
copies, just doubling the issues of two
years previous. Nearly all these ad-
ditional books have gone into the
soldier's knapsack or the British sailor's
ditty box.

The total circulation in all countries
and in all languages last year was over
eleven million volumes.

In China during 1916 there were
circulated 2,316,378 volumes—Bibles
19,583, Testaments 49,544, Gospels
2,247,345 (including other separate
books of Scriptures).

The cost of production has increased
so seriously that in the budget for the
current year the Society anticipated a
deficit of over \$30,000.

The friends in China have hitherto
contributed generously and the Society
thanks every contributor. It again
appeals to its many friends for liberal
gifts.

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Drill.

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Tuesday, 4.20 p.m. Company and
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Friday, 4.00 p.m. Company and
Stretcher Drill.

VICTORIA DIVISION.

Tuesday, 5.15 p.m. Company and
Stretcher Drill.

Thursday, 5.15 p.m. Company and
Stretcher Drill.

VACCINATORS.

All Members who have performed
Public Vaccination Duty will parade on
the ground opposite the P. and O. S. S.
Co.'s Offices on Wednesday, 14th inst.,
at 3 p.m.

Dress—Shirts, puttees, caps. Water-
bottles and haversacks not required.

CANTON CONTINGENT.

All members who formed part of this
Contingent will parade in Queen's Col-
lege Quadrangle on Sunday, 18th inst.,
at 10 a.m.

Dress—Helmets, shirts, puttees,
haversacks, caps carried in haversacks,
waterbottles, great coats (rolled).

(Sd.) E. RALPHS,
Officer in Charge of District.

No. 1 HONGKONG Y.A.D.

COMMANDANT—LADY MAY.

Asst. COMMANDANT—MRS. CHURCHILL.

Members are requested that the
Monthly Meeting will take place on
Friday, March 30th, at 10.15 a.m. A
Lecture will be given by Lieut.-Colonel
Chap, D.M.S., on "Medicines and their
Administration." The practical work
which will follow the Lecture will be in
charge of Mrs. Fleming and Mrs.
Bullock.

Members are advised to bring Note-
books.

Uniform will be worn.

(Sd.) E. RALPHS,
Adjutant and Hon. Secretary.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Unions	400	12.30 p.m.
Hongkong Fire	35	sales
Douglace	95	buyers
Steamboats	184	sales
Def. Indus	121	buyers
China Sugars	110	buyers
China Providents	8.10	sales
Cement	11	buyers

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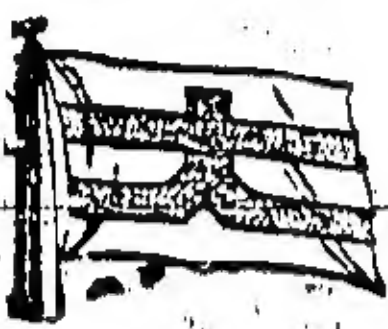
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TIENSIN	CHIPSANG	FRIDAY, Mar. 16, at 3 p.m.
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NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU	Capt. Takeda, Tons 9,800	FRIDAY, 16th March at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	FUSHIMI MARU	Capt. Iizawa, Tons 21,000	THURSDAY, 15th March at 11 a.m.
	HIRANO MARU	Capt. H. Fraser, Tons 18,000	FRIDAY, 23rd March at 11 a.m.
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